Control. The two sides also agreed to each appoint a Special Representative to explore from the political perspective of the overall bilateral relationship the framework of a boundary settlement. The two Special Representatives (National Security Advisor from our side, and senior-most Vice Foreign Minister, Dai Bingguo from the Chinese side) had their first meeting in New Delhi from 23 to 24 October, 2003. They have agreed to meet again on mutually acceptable dates in Beijing.

Removal of ban from over flight to Pakistan

1779. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan has lifted the ban on Indian over flights; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the date of journey and time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) and (b) During the technical level talks on the resumption of Civil Aviation links that were held on New Delhi on 1 December, 2003, India and Pakistan agreed to resume simultaneous direct air links and overflights with effect from 1 January, 2004 on a reciprocal basis.

Discussion with Myanmar

1780. SHRI RUMANDLA RAAMACHANDRAYYA:
SHRI LALIT SURI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the topics on which discussions were held by the Governments of India and Myanmar recently;

(b) the decisions taken as a result of the discussions held; and

(c) the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government to implement the decisions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI VINOD KHANNA): (a) to (c) The Vice President made an offiicial visit to Myanmar from 2-5 November, 2003. Earlier Foreign